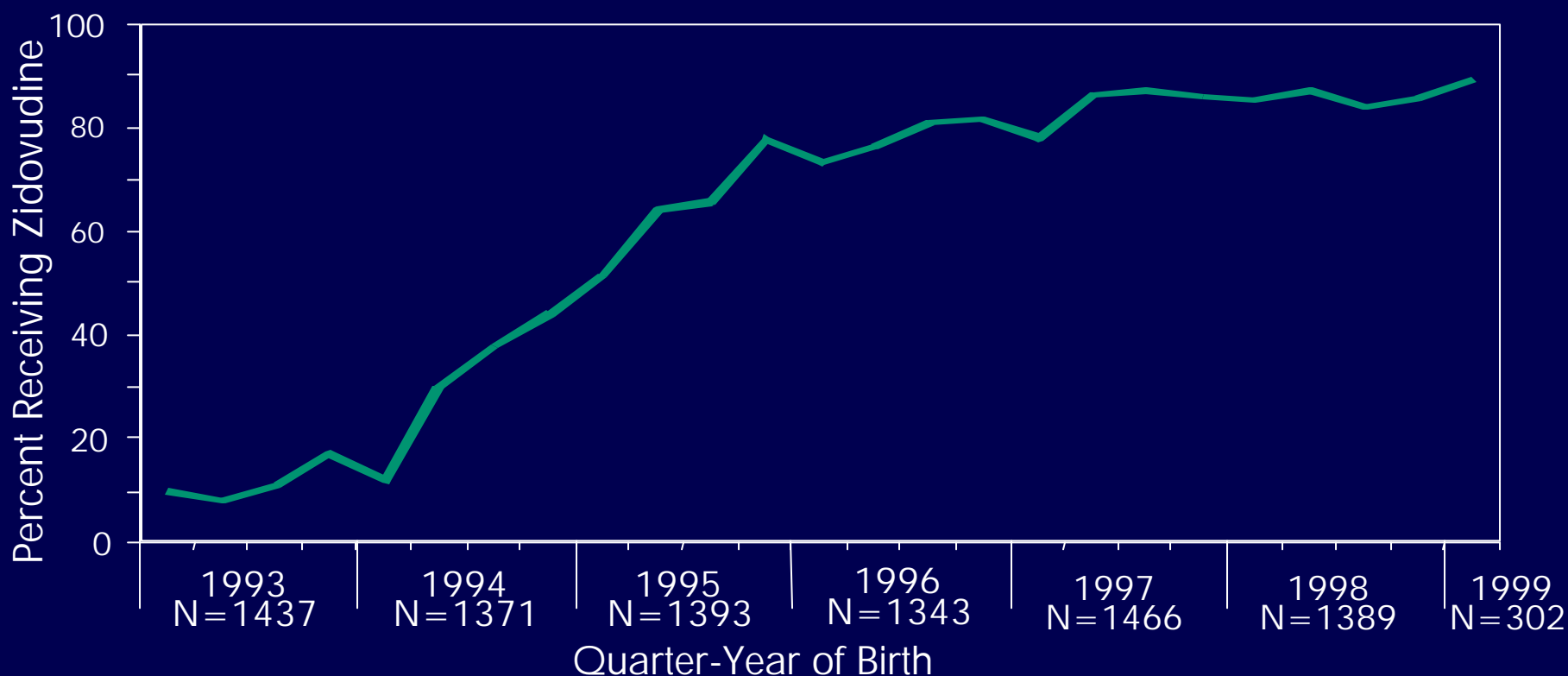


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Born 1993-March 1999 in 34 States,[†] United States



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[†] Includes 34 areas that conduct pediatric HIV Surveillance; data reported through December 1999

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